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Romulus receives 'tremendous' financial audit

City of Romulus officials received some good news and high praise with the annual financial audit report last week.

Stacy Reeves of Plante Moran explained the details of the audit findings to the members of the city council during a special session just prior to the regular meeting last week. During the regular meeting, Reeves told the assembled audience that the city had a "tremendous result" on the audit "as a result of several years of sustained efforts to rebuild the fund balance lost during the economic downturn."

Reeves said that the proactive approach that Romulus officials took to find new sources of revenue without sacrificing city services had increased the fund balance in the city to $4.9 million, the state financial model of 25 percent.

Reeves also said that the impact of the economic downturn on property tax revenue on the city would take 25 years to return to the pre-downturn level.

Mayor LeRoy Burcroff said in a later interview that the current financial stability in the city is the result of a team effort and an approach of "must haves" rather than "want to haves."

"We are facing the same challenges as every other community and we still face the issue of legacy costs for health care and pensions," Burcroff said. "We offered buyouts and shaved $25 million off that balance, but we still have a huge obligation to fund funding for. I doubt many other communities reduced that obligation by $25 million," he said.

Burcroff admitted that the legacy costs were the "keep me up at night" financial issue in the city, but he said he was very gratified by the audit results.

"We have regular meetings to find opportunities for revenue enhancements, we bring in the city attorney the Plante Moran people," he said. "We have a score card and we look at metrics to be sure we can lessen any surprises by looking at the critical spending data," he added.

According to Reeves, the approach has worked remarkably well for the community.

"The economic environment is challenging," she said but Romulus managed to increase the fund balance to the recommended levels. She also mentioned the current $5.7 million remaining pension and retiree health care deficit, and said the state is requiring communities to submit plans for funding those obligations.

Burcroff said that one of the major factors in improving the city financial position was the approval by voters of the public safety millage last year.

"That is a crucial piece of the financial picture," he said. "To me, that amounted to trust, the people trust us, like what we are doing and are willing to pay a little more for it. The millage certainly doesn't fund all the public safety costs, it is more a sustainability plan although we were able to open a small station in the Northeast corner of the city," he said.

Mayor LeRoy Burcroff

"Everybody is dealing with the same (economic) problems," Burcroff said, "We're just ahead of the curve on dealing with these issues."

Savings in store
Presbyterian Thrift Shop funds Christian missions

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Items from the Presbyterian Thrift Shop of Plymouth have been known to travel a bit.

"Our suits found their way to the White House" explained volunteer Ted Porter who, along with his wife, Lynne, manages the shop at 331 North Main St.

The two suits were purchased by a visitor to the shop who bought them for his son explaining the young man got an internship. He wore the suits to his new job in the White House, Porter said.

"We got in a handmade Elvis quilt," recalled Porter. A raffle of the "King's" quilt was arranged as a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society through the owner of Richard's restaurant, located a few miles down Plymouth Road.

The couple, Plymouth Township residents, have managed the shop, run via the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, since 2007, helped by fellow church member Linda Luke and others.

Volunteers don't come exclusively from that church, noted Lynne Porter, although church members make many donations. The shop, which is turning 70 this year, boasts 10,000 square feet.

It's open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, and from March through December 6-8 p.m. Wednesday.

On the main floor, glassware, jewelry, decorative plates and more are shown. The front of that floor houses a lot of clothing on racks, the quality of which Lynne Porter displayed. A Coach scarf had just come in, and some donations still carry their original tags.

Clothing and knickknacks sell well, Ted Porter said, and the upstairs Game Room shelves with board games draw children in as parents shop.

Proceeds support missions, overseas as well as closer to home, including First Step and Northville Civic Concern.

Husband and wife Ted and Lynne Porter of Plymouth Township enjoy overseeing the Presbyterian Thrift Shop. The shop is marking its 70th anniversary and supports a plethora of missions.

Rising profits from sales, some 17 percent a year recently, cover rent and utilities, meaning missions work gets more help.

Ted Porter worked in purchasing at Ford Motor Co. while his wife was employed at the TRW automotive supplier, and Linda Luke worked in food service at the former Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital.

The 75 some volunteers have varied backgrounds, and include National Honor Society students seeking service hours as well as court-mandated volunteers.

"They're very dedicated and hardworking, and they care about their customers," Porter said of the volunteers.

"This is our entrance into Holiday Heaven," said Porter of holiday collectibles and

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Canton Township honors college shooting heroine

Tabitha Hardy receives Canton Department of Public Safety recognition at the Jan. 14 Board of Trustees meeting. Praising her heroism is township Trustee John Anthony.

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Canton Township officials lauded a real hero during the Jan. 14 board of trustees meeting.

Officials praised the actions of Tabitha Hardy who was honored with special recognition from the Canton Township Department of Public Safety..

Hardy, who was in class at a technical college in Canton in January of 2019, heard a classmate threaten actions that could have caused great harm or death to himself and other students and instructors. Hardy spoke to her classmate urging him to return home and collect his thoughts and calming him. She also called 9-1-1 to report the threat and Canton police responded to the scene.

Canton Public Safety Director Joshua Meier praised her conduct and actions in the situation.

"Her actions that day were heroic," Meier said.

Meier praised Hardy's wherewithal, which included the 9-1-1 response.

Canton Trustee John Anthony, who previously worked for the FBI, read the formal recognition of Hardy. He said he was also impressed with her conduct. "Your actions resulted in saving some lives," he told her.

The Jan. 22, 2019, response by police was followed by referral to the Wayne County prosecutor.

Hardy also received a round of applause from the audience attending the meeting.

INKSTER - WAYNE - WESTLAND

Westland man is now charged with murder

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Anthony Kesteloot, 25, with murder in the death of Olivia Rossi, 23, of Westland.

Rossi's body was found Aug. 23, 2019 in a creek at Hines Park after officers were directed to the site by Kesteloot. The defendant was reportedly the last person to see Rossi, having picked her up in his truck at her home at about 10 p.m. Aug. 18, 2019. Prosecutors allege that Kesteloot and Rossi went to his home on the in the 29150 block of Manchester in Westland where she died. Kesteloot was charged Aug. 26, 2019 with disinterment of a dead body, obstruction of justice, removing a dead body, failure to report a dead body and tampering with evidence in a criminal case. At his arraignment, Kesteloot was given a $100,000 cash/surety bond and he has remained housed in the Wayne County Jail since that court date.

Kesteloot was arraigned on the murder charge by video last Tuesday before 18th District Court Judge Sandra Cicirelli. He was scheduled for a preliminary examination on the charges Jan. 30. That court appearance is also scheduled before Cicirelli.

Welcome back

Members of Eta Iota Omega Chapter from Inkster hosted the Second annual Pick Carpet Affair Aug. 26 at Daly Elementary School in Inkster and celebrated the first day of school by greeting 200 students with a round of applause and high fives. The students received educational materials about historically Black colleges and universities and Black Greek letter organizations. Healthy snacks were donated to each classroom and the staff members received care packages as tokens of appreciation from the sorority members.

Wayne seeking donations for city Veterans' Memorial

Donations to the Wayne Veterans Memorial project in Wayne are still being accepted.

The memorial will specifically honor veterans and will be installed on the south side of Wayne City Hall as part of the UAW Local 845 relocation to the city.

While $26,000 in donations was collected by the city last year for repairs to the Peace Memorial located in the Michigan Avenue median near the city library, donors sought a project specific to honoring veterans who served in the military. When the UAW opted to relocate to the Wayne Road building, union officials sought a location to relocate the veterans memorial currently at their Canton Township union offices.

> *Wayne officials offered the site near city hall for the Wayne Veterans Memorial.*

Wayne officials offered the site near city hall for the Wayne Veterans Memorial and began a fundraising drive to pay for the moving and installation of the structure. They need another $50,000 to completely fund the project, according to a statement from city offices and hope to break ground on the construction this spring. The funds will be used for preparing the groundwork, pouring concrete, relocating and installing the existing monument along with a flagpole and benches.

The memorial will be "a lasting tribute for the many veterans who served their country," according to literature distributed by the city.

"Many of these brave souls died, were declared missing in action, or taken prisoner of war. It is incumbent on all to honor our veterans, both past and present, as we would not be enjoying the freedom we have today without their sacrifice," the statement continued.

Donations are being accepted at Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road in Wayne, 48184. Checks can be made payable to City of Wayne with Veterans Memorial in the memo line and mailed to the address above, Attention: Director of Community Development Lori Gouin.

For more information or questions about the project, contact Gouin at (734) 722-2002 or lgouin@cityofwayne.com.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 6, 2020
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

The Meeting was called to Order at 7:44 p.m. by Chairperson Tina Talley.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Present: Kathy Abdo, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Absent / Excused: Mayor Pro Tem John Barden
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Leroy Burcroff, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Administrative Staff: City Attorney Steve Hitchcock? Chief of Staff Julie Wojtylko, Deputy Clerk Robin R. Underwood

1. **Agenda**
A. Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
2. **Minutes**
A. **Res. #20-001** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on December 23, 2019. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
3. **Petitioner - None.**
4. **Chairperson's Report, Tina Talley, Councilwoman**
Moved by **Celeste Roscoe**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
5. **Mayor's Report - LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor**
A. **Res. #20-002** Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by Eva Webb to concur with Administration and award Bid ITB 19/20-08 to the most responsive and responsible bidder, Valk Manufacturing Company, for the guaranteed three (3) month fixed pricing underbody scraper blades for the City of Romulus, DPW in the amount of $27,744.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
B. **Res. #20-003** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **William Wadsworth** to concur with Administration and authorize the DPW to dispose and auction one (1) HP Designjet Large Format Printer, Scanner and Copier with proceeds from this equipment will be placed in the Water and Sewer Machinery and Equipment. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
C. **Res. #20-004** Moved by Eva Webb, seconded by **Virginia Williams** to **Table** the Re-appointments of Daniel McAnally and James Crova to the Planning Commission until the next City Council meeting on January 13, 2020.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Kathy Abdo, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Nays - Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth
Motion Failed.
Res. #20-005 Moved by Celeste Roscoe, seconded by William Wadsworth to concur with the administration and approve the re-appointments of Daniel McAnally and James Crova to the City of Romulus Planning Commission with a three year term to expire on January 31, 2023.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Williams
Nays - None
Abstain - Eva Webb
Motion Carried.
D. **Res. #20-006** Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Celeste Roscoe to concur with Administration and introduce Budget Amendment 19/20-12 for the 2020 Sidewalk Program design work for Van Born Road. Motion Carried Unanimously.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
Public Safety				
Revenue				
205-333-675.003	Donations-Grants-Local -		$3,834	$3834
Expense				
205-336-730.000	Operating Supplies	$50,200	$3834	$54,034

6. **Clerk's Report - Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**
A. **Res. #20-007** Moved by **Kathy Abdo**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to approve the request for a Public Hearing from City Assessor, Julie Albert on 1-13-2020 at 6:00 pm. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
B. **Res. #20-008** Moved by **Eva Webb**, seconded by **Kathy Abdo** to approve a Memorial Resolution for Roland Lee Nettle.
Motion Carried Unanimously.
7. **Treasurer's Report - Stacy Paige, Treasurer** - None.
8. **Boards and Commissions Report**
For the Record: Romulus Officers Compensation Chairperson, Carole Bales, addressed the Council
A. **Res. #20-009** Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Eva Webb** to reject the Romulus Officers Compensation Report.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Wadsworth, Webb
Nays - Roscoe, Talley, Williams
Motion Failed.
9. **Public Comment** - One (1) resident addressed City Council.
10. **Unfinished Business**
Councilwoman Abdo addressed Mayor and Council recommending that appointments to Boards and Commissions be acted on individually.
Councilwoman Roscoe stated that it is the Mayor's discretion, under his report, to consider presenting future recommendations, separately.
The Mayor acknowledged all and stated it will be taken under consideration in the future.
11. **New Business - None.**
12. **Communication**
Councilwoman Williams asked if a Retirement Committee will be created by Administration.
13. **Adjournment**
Moved by **William Wadsworth**, seconded by **Celeste Roscoe** to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of the Romulus City Council held on **January 6, 2020**.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 13, 2020 for the following:

QUALIFIED RENTAL/EVENT SERVICE VENDORS

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MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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WARREN ROAD PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE CONSTRUCTION

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MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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LEGAL NOTICE

1954 PA 188 PROCEEDINGS
NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT HEARING

Charter Township of Plymouth
Wayne County, Michigan

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as a result of Petitions of property owners within the Township signed by the record owners of land whose front footage constitutes more than 50% of the total front footage of the hereinafter described Special Assessment District, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth proposes a road pavement reconstruction project in Plymouth Notch Subdivision along Litchfield Dr and Litchfield Ct, and to create a Special Assessment for the recovery of the cost thereof by Special Assessment against the properties benefited therein.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth has tentatively declared its intention to make the hereinafter described improvement:

> The proposed improvement to the existing two-lane concrete local roadway with integral curb and gutter shall consist of full reconstruction, including, removal and replacement of concrete pavement, aggregate base placement, underdrain installation, addition of storm sewer and catch basins where required within the pavement, and miscellaneous driveway approach work and sidewalk ramp modification as necessary to facilitate the road reconstruction, or as required by Wayne County. The project commences at the east right-of-way line of McClumpha Road and proceeds eastward on Litchfield Drive for approximately 1,350 feet to a dead end. The project also proceeds north from Litchfield Drive along Litchfield Court for approximately 185 feet to terminus.

That it has further been tentatively determined that the following described lots and parcels of land will specially benefit from said improvements and will constitute a Special Assessment District against which the cost of said improvement shall be assessed:

> The district limit for frontage along Litchfield Drive and Litchfield Court consists of Lots 1 through 30 of the Plymouth Notch Subdivision located in the Northeast ¼ of Section 33, T.1S, R.8E, of Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth shall meet on **Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, Michigan 48170**, for the purpose of reviewing said proposed Special Assessment District, and hearing objections to the improvement, creation of the Special Assessment District, and the assessment thereon. All persons may then and there appear and make any objections they may have to such improvement and assessment. Appearance and protest at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount, if any, of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal. An owner or party in interest, or agent thereof, may appear in person at the hearing, or may file an appearance or protest by letter. All parties or agents appearing in person at the hearing for purposes of protest should request the appearance be entered into the record of the meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the estimate of cost and recommendations of the engineer for said proposed Special Assessment District have been filed with the Township and are available for public examination at the office of the Township Clerk. The estimate of cost of such project is currently in the amount of $990,000.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that periodic redetermination of costs for the proposed Special Assessment District may be necessary and may be made without further notice to the record owners or parties in interest in the property.

Jerry Vorva, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth
9955 North Haggerty Road
Plymouth, Michigan 48170
(734) 354-3224

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CANTON

Well wishes

Canton begins year-long health and wellness programs at Summit facility

Canton Township will present Live Well Canton 2020, a year-long fitness program to help area residents live longer, more active lives.

Canton Leisure Services will present a year filled with mini-fitness challenges, opportunities to walk and swim at the Summit on the Park, educational programs, winter walking and hiking tips, and much more.

Recognizing the challenges of the sedentary lifestyle that so many Americans often fall victim to, especially during the darker, colder months, January 2020 featured activities will focus on increasing physical activity for all ages. With obesity still on the rise in adults and children, it often continues to be a contributing factor to chronic and acute illnesses, such as" diabetes, high blood pressure, cancer, stroke, and heart attack. Staying active for even 20-minutes a day, and working to maintain a healthy weight can help combat these risks, explained Jennifer Provenzano, recreation and cultural arts supervisor.

The programs are offered to residents throughout the area and are not limited to township residents and are often free or at little cost, she added.

"Most individuals are aware that stress, time constraints and the ready availability of unhealthy food options leave many of us frustrated to lead fit and healthier lives," said Provenzano. "Live Well Canton 2020 is designed to help participants take the necessary steps to adopt healthier habits and make health and wellness a top priority in their lives."

Live Well Canton 2020 featured topics, include:

- January: Get Moving!
- February: Heart Health: Active vs. Sedentary Lifestyles
- March: Eating for Wellness
- April: Environmental Health
- May: Mental Health Awareness Month/Self-Care/Arts for Stress Relief
- June: Love Your Parks Month
- July: Safe Fun in the Sun
- August: Substance Abuse Awareness and Smoking Cessation
- September: Healthy Kids/ Healthy Future
- October: Domestic Violence Awareness
- November: Financial Health and Well Being
- December: Winter Wellness

This year-long program offers plenty of information and resources to help participants adopt a healthier lifestyle. Information about Live Well Canton 2020 resources and offerings throughout this year-long program are available at www.canton-mi.org/1270.

To learn more about Live Well Canton 2020, visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Student's safety video is awarded $1,500 2nd prize

Jillian Plant knew her 35-second video regarding distracted driving had been chosen as one of the winners in The Suburban Collection Focus On The Road video contest.

It wasn't until the official ceremony at Plymouth High School Jan. 10, however, that she learned she had been awarded second place and was presented with a check for $1,500 by Dan Fuoco, social media manager for The Suburban Collection.

Plant is a student in the Plymouth High School video class taught by Janet Sutherland although she is a student at Canton High School.

"Most of the submissions we see show the end result (of distracted driving)," noted Fuoco, who served as one of the contest judges. "A lot of students create videos with death or the extreme circumstances that often result from distracted driving.

"The thing about Jillian's video was that, along with it being thoughtfully prepared, was that everything in the video happens before the car was theoretically put into drive. We thought that was a great message."

The goal for students is to conceptualize and produce a video that embodies how dangerous it can be to drive distracted. The Suburban Collection reviewed the videos against pre-determined judging criteria focused on concept, creativity/originality, message content, impact and production quality to select three winners. This year, The Suburban Collection received more than 110 entries, with approximately half of them from Plymouth High School which won the prize of $1,000 for the most submissions in the contest.

Sutherland accepted that award check, noting that the money would be invested into new equipment for her students' video field projects.

Janet Sutherland, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools video production teacher left, Jillian Plant, the student/2nd prize winner accept their awards from Dan Fuoco, of The Suburban Collection.

"It wasn't just students in my classes that entered; it was students from all three Plymouth Canton high schools that participated," said Sutherland, who added that she will use her students' input to decide on what specifically the $1,500 will be spent on.

"I think it's important to think about the people in your car as well as yourself because when you drive distracted, you're not only impacting yourself, you're impacting everyone in your car and even people outside your car," Plant said. "I thought it was important to incorporate that in my video."

Plant said she puts her phone in the console of the car and urges her friends to follow her example, even though she knows they have difficulty with it. "I have friends who drive while distracted, but they don't do it while I'm in the car because I ask them not to," she said. "Obviously, there are other forms of distracted driving besides phones, but that's the main one."

A team of Troy High School students won the first-place prize of $2,500.

Synopsis of Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings
Members: Supervisor Pat Williams, Clerk Michael Siegrist, Treasurer Dian Slavens
Trustees: John Anthony, Sommer Foster, Anne Graham-Hudak, Steven Sneideman
Study Session Meeting 12/03/19 Synopsis: Presentation: Juvenile Division Program; Canton Public Safety Five-Year Strategic Plan update.
Regular Meeting 12/10/19: Synopsis: Approved consent and general calendar as posted in full on website.
Study Session Meeting 12/17/19 Synopsis: Presentation: Canton Therapeutic Recreation Overview; B.L.O.C.K. Teen & Youth Center Master Plan.
Special Meeting 12/23/19: Synopsis: 2019 Budget Adjustment for Fire Station construction approved as posted in full on the website.

Copies of the complete Board minutes can be found for free at www.canton-mi.org. Minutes can also be viewed or copied at 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI during normal business hours. Call 734-394-5120 for more information. CN2009 - 012320 2.5 x 4.475

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WE-GO-ROUND AND PLAYGROUND SURFACING
INSTALLATION AT HERITAGE PARK

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MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING
February 19, 2020 - 7:00 PM

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider a variance request to Article 34 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a land division where the resulting lots will have a depth to width ratio that exceeds 3:1 for the property located at 15410 Marilyn Ave.

Written comments regarding these requests will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
FEBRUARY 13, 2020

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY,February 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jim Cisek, Vicki Welty, Craig Engel, Greg Greco and John Badeen.
Alternate: Gregory Demopoulos

Approval of Agenda for February 13, 2020

Approval of Minutes:
December 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes

General Calendar:

1. Applicant Suso 3 Canton LP/Slate, Brittney Finch Project Representative for Parcel ID 71-053-99-0012-008 (42001 - 42089) Ford Road, located on the south side of Ford Road, between Lilley and Haggerty Roads, Zoning C-3. Appealing Article 6A.22 4(b)3 Variance to allow a second multi-tenant sign. (Planning)

2. Election of Officers

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton. Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, Phone 734-394-5120.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services to attend participate at the meeting/hearing should contact Kerreen Conley, Human Resources Manager, at 734-394-5260.
Reasonable accommodations can be made with advance notice.
A complete copy of the Access to Public Meetings Policy is available at www.canton-mi.org CN2008 - 012320 2.5 x 4.614

SYNOPSIS
REGULAR MEETING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, January 16, 2020
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road
CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Scott Frush, Trustee
Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee
Fred Shadko, Treasurer Christopher Roosen, Trustee
ABSENT: Mindy Herrmann, Trustee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
1. Agendas:
A. Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items – Approved
2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
A. Northville High School Golf Team – Approved
B. Election Commission Appointments – Approved
C. Public Services – Water Main Information Presentation – Presented
D. Public Safety – Contract with Michigan Humane Society – Presented
E. Landfill Working Committee Report – Presented
3. Public Hearing:
A. Zhongding Amendment of IFE Certificate – Opened and Conducted
4. Brief Public Comments: One resident had a question or comment for the Board of Trustees.
5. New Business:
A. Village at Northville – PUD Amendment #3 – Approved w/ Conditions
B. Zhongding Amendment of IFE Certificate – Approved
C. Public Safety – Vehicle Purchase – Approved
D. Granite Inliner Sanitary Sewer Services Contract – Approved
E. Public Svc – Vehicle Purchase with Snow Plow – Approved
F. Public Svc – Vehicle Purchase for Facility Maintenance – Approved
G. Proposal – Wayne Co. Park Millage Funds FY 19-20 – Approved
H. Parks & Recreation – Vehicle Purchase – Approved
6. Unfinished Business: None
7. Ordinances: None
8. Check Registry:
A. In the amount of $ 2,937,981.96 for the period of 12/1/19 to 1/3/20 – Approved
9. Board Communication & Reports:
A. Robert R. Nix, II, Marjorie Banner, Fred Shadko, Scott Frush, Symantha Heath, Christopher Roosen, Todd Mutchler
10. Any other business for the Board of Trustees: None
11. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.
A draft of the minutes will be available on January 29, 2020
Respectfully submitted:
Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor
Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk

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BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS

Romulus council votes to accept 2% salary hike

Despite the strong objections of the longest serving city council member, elected officials in Romulus will receive a 2-percent pay raise.

During the Jan. 6 regular meeting, Councilman William Wadsworth asked to speak regarding the recommendation of the Romulus Compensation Board, which is a volunteer group that meets every two years to recommend salary changes for elected officials. Wadsworth said that he was concerned to learn that other members of the council had requested a meeting with the compensation board to suggest a $1,000 bonus in addition to the 2-percent increase for the council members.

"There is no provision in our charter and no ordinance to allow such an appeal to the decision of the board," Wadsworth said. "We don't negotiate with the board."

"We made city workers pay more for health care last year, we asked taxpayers for a public safety millage. The library came to us and asked for $1,000 and we said no," he said.

Wadsworth said that he, Mayor LeRoy Burcroff, Councilwoman Kathleen Abdo and other elected officials currently return a percentage of their pay to the city and have done so for several years.

The recommendation from the members of the compensation board before the council for approval was the 2-percent raise. While the $1,000 bonus was not in the motion presented to the council, it was a matter of discussion among the council members. According to that discussion, the second meeting with the compensation board was requested by Mayor Pro Tem John Barden and was attended by Councilwoman Eva Webb. Webb disagreed with some of the minutes of that meeting.

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"I do not need one dime from the city," she said. "I did not request $1,000 each year plus 2 percent," she said. "You are not going to dump this in my lap. I was representing five council members based on information I received from the mayor pro tem," she said.

Barden, who was absent from the meeting, confirmed in a later interview that he had, in fact, requested the second compensation board meeting, "because certain council people told me they felt uninformed about what was going on. I decided to ask the director of the commission to have another meeting so that anyone who wanted to go for informational purposes could attend," Barden said. He did not attend that requested second meeting.

Carol Bales, chairman of the compensation board, confirmed that the recommendation did not include the $1,000 bonus.

"I feel the commission looked totally fairly, squarely at the situation and I think we were more than fair with the recommendation for 2 percent," she said. That amount is estimated to be $16.40 per month for each councilperson and will cost an additional $198 per year, per councilperson. Council members currently are paid $9,900 per year.

Councilmember Tina Talley said that she was surprised that she was getting paid at all and that she felt her council service was important to being part of the community.

"I ran for council because I wanted to do it. I was shocked to find out I would get something for it. It's a bonus to get money for doing something I enjoy doing," she said.

According to the city charter, a majority of the council members must vote to reject the recommendation of the compensation board or it becomes effective.

Wadsworth made a motion to reject the recommendation, and council members Abdo, Wadsworth and Webb voted yes on rejecting the raise. Council members Celeste Roscoe, Talley and Virginia Williams voted no, thereby accepting the recommended 2-percent raise which will become effective this month and again in January of 2021.

Neighbors oppose plan for Van Buren senior living facility

Members of the Van Buren Township Planning Commission postponed any decision on a special land use request for a proposed senior living project until more information was provided.

The proposed 64,000-square-foot Hampton Manor development was discussed at a Jan. 8 meeting of the commission members, The senior living complex is proposed for construction on the southeast corner of Tyler and Morton Taylor roads and will include 80 units, with 24 designated for memory care and 36 dedicated for assisted living for seniors. The developer listed with the township is Zohaib Syed of Van Buren Investors Land Holdings LLC. Construction of the two sections of the planned facility would be on six parcels of land totaling 7.11 acres which is zoned for local business.

Sam Martin, vice president of development of Hampton Manor, said their Hampton Manor facilities for seniors are operating throughout several local communities and could be inspected by officials. He said he and his partners will offer Van Buren seniors the opportunity to remain in the township and that the facility would offer free valet services, a beauty salon, spa, movie theatre, courtyard, grill, sunrooms, libraries and outside doors for each assisted living unit. He said he and his partners now have senior facilities in operation in Shelby Township, Brighton, Dundee, and one under construction on Ridge Road in Canton Township.

Audience members were not in favor of the proposal, however, as the property is surrounded by single family homes and zoned as residential. Attorney Lisa Martin, who lives across Morton Taylor Road in Charter Club subdivision, was against the plan as the development is not compatible with the surrounding neighbors according to the township ordinance and this would not adhere to that provision as it is in a residential neighborhood. Martin said she was also concerned with traffic, particularly since the area is in a main school bus route on Tyler Road. She said statistics from the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) claim daily traffic of 4,300 to 4,400 vehicles within a quarter mile of the intersection in question. Martin added that the township zoning ordinance limits construction at that site to 30,000 square feet the proposed facility is double that limit.

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She urged the commissioners to reject the plan.

Planning consultant Vidya Krishnan of McKenna said the buildings total 62,516 square feet, are 17 feet tall, and single story. She explained that the property has been zoned C at least for a decade and as senior housing is considered residential use in C zoning and would therefore be exempt from that size restriction..

Also opposing the project was Karianne Butler who also lives in Charter Club, She said that Van Buren Investors Land Holdings LLC is not registered with the state and inquired as to the reason for that discrepancy.

Residents also questioned flooding in the area and the impact on the water table with the construction of the buildings.

Township Director of Planning Dan Power addressed the audience and explained that there is a nationwide movement to provide facilities for seniors to age in place. He said communities have to zone appropriately and the sites should be considered more as special land use.

Following extensive discussion and questions, commissioners postponed any vote on the special land use request until further information could be provided.

Animal abuse charges dismissed, then immediately refiled

The animal abandonment and cruelty charges against Javon Stacks were dismissed and refilled by prosecutors within 24 hours last week.

Javon Pherras Stacks, 36, owner of Exotic Zoo, a business that brings exotic animals to school and organization events, was originally charged with one felony count of abandoning/cruelty of animals and two misdemeanor counts of cruelty to animals on Nov. 5. Romulus police, following what was described as an anonymous tip, discovered about 500 animals in an Ecorse Road storefront last August. The animals, including exotic reptiles, hundreds of hedgehogs, iguanas, a peacock, a tortoise and a 16-foot python, were seized by police and the criminal charges filed by the office of Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

A preliminary examination and forfeiture hearing on the charges was scheduled for 9 a.m. Jan. 16 in 34th District Court in Romulus before Judge David Parrott. At 9:01 a.m., according to a statement from the office of the prosecutor, the court ordered the officer in charge to call the assistant prosecutor on the case as he was not present in the courtroom. The assistant prosecutor told the court officer that he was 15-minutes from the court and that information was relayed to the judge, according to the prosecutor's office.

At 9:21 a.m. last Thursday, the case against Stacks was called and summarily dismissed by Parrott because the assistant prosecutor was not yet in court.

The charges were re-issued on Friday, Jan. 17, and Stacks is set to be arraigned on the same charges at 9 a.m. Jan. 22 at 34th District Court.

Stacks, of Farmington, has an active license with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to exhibit animals and claims to have had the license for 10 years.

He has denied any mistreatment of the animals and claimed that the animals discovered by Romulus police in the Ecorse Road location were properly cared for.

He reportedly filed a lawsuit against the Romulus police in the seizure of the animals but the disposition of that matter was unknown at press time.

Javon Pherras Stacks

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32. Help Wanted Drivers

JOB POSTING

Sumpter Township is currently accepting applications for Department of Public Services Laborer. This position is under the direction of the Water Superintendent. Must have high school diploma, minimum S-4 State of Michigan Water Operators Certification or ability to obtain one, excellent driving record and the ability to work as a team or independently.

Please submit application, resume and cover letter to Michelle Bellingham, Human Resource Coordinator, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111 no later than 4:00 PM on January 31, 2020. Application and full job description available on our website www.Sumptertwp.com Sumpter Township is an equal opportunity employer.

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59. Auctions

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Northville - Plymouth

School district plans millage informational meetings

Property owners in the Northville Public Schools district will be asked to approve a new Sinking Fund millage on the March 10 ballot.

Voters will be asked to extend the current .9519-mill levy from 2021 to 2025 and provide for broader uses of the proceeds, including instructional technology and security equipment.

The current levy expires Dec. 31, 2020.

The .9519-mill, five-year request is a replacement of the existing sinking fund millage and would not result in an increase over the current millage rate, school officials stressed in a press release regarding the issue.

"If supported, the Sinking Fund millage will continue to provide approximately $3 million each year to fund building and site repairs, along with instructional technology and safety and security upgrades. This funding helps protect the community's investment in the school district's buildings and sites, while preserving General Fund dollars to accomplish the district's core mission of instruction and student learning," the statement continued. Priority projects for the next five-year period fall into the categories of Instructional Technology and Security, Energy and Operational Efficiency, and Health and Safety.

The district is hosting a series of forums to discuss the millage replacement request in various locations. A forum is planned at at 8:30 tonight, Jan. 23, at Old Village School; at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2 at Moraine Elementary School and at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 6 at Hillside Middle School and again at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16 at Old Village School.

The forums will include information about the Sinking Fund replacement millage proposal through a 10-15 minute presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions about the proposal.

The forums are open to the public.

More information about the proposal is available on the district to learn more about the millage election by visiting the district website www.northvilleschools.org/2020sinkingfund. Questions and/or comments may also be e-mailed to nps@northvilleschools.org.

Michigan Philharmonic awarded major funding grant

The Michigan Philharmonic has received a grant of $65,000 from the Margaret Dunning Foundation to support technology and data system upgrades for the organization as well as support for the orchestra educational programming in the Plymouth Canton Community Schools.

The Michigan Philharmonic serves audiences including students and numerous multi-cultural groups, throughout Southeast Michigan with programs that are innovative and educational, according to Beth Stewart, executive director of the group. The Michigan Philharmonic contributes to the quality of life in the region by serving as a cultural anchor in the community, employing numerous professional musicians and providing programming to a wide range of audiences from children to adults, she said.

A generous grant of support from the Margaret Dunning Foundation has helped the Michigan Philharmonic upgrade dated IT and data systems by funding new computer and software upgrades, a new photocopier, as well as technology for a new donor management system, Stewart explained. In addition, funding was also given to support the educational programs the orchestra brings to the Plymouth Canton Schools in the form of the CLASSical Music Outreach Program. Now in it's 17th year, this program reaches every 3rd and 4th grader in the district with music education programs designed to introduce students to the instruments of the orchestra

through the science of sound as well as a special Koncert for Kids for all 4th graders each spring, Stewart said.

"Support from the Dunning Foundation has afforded the orchestra the opportunity to more efficiently administer the programs of our orchestra so we may continue to bring high quality musical and educational programming to the Plymouth Canton Community," she concluded in a prepared statement.

For more information on concerts, venues, artists and tickets, visit www.michiganphil.org or call (734) 451-2112 or email: info@michiganphil.org.

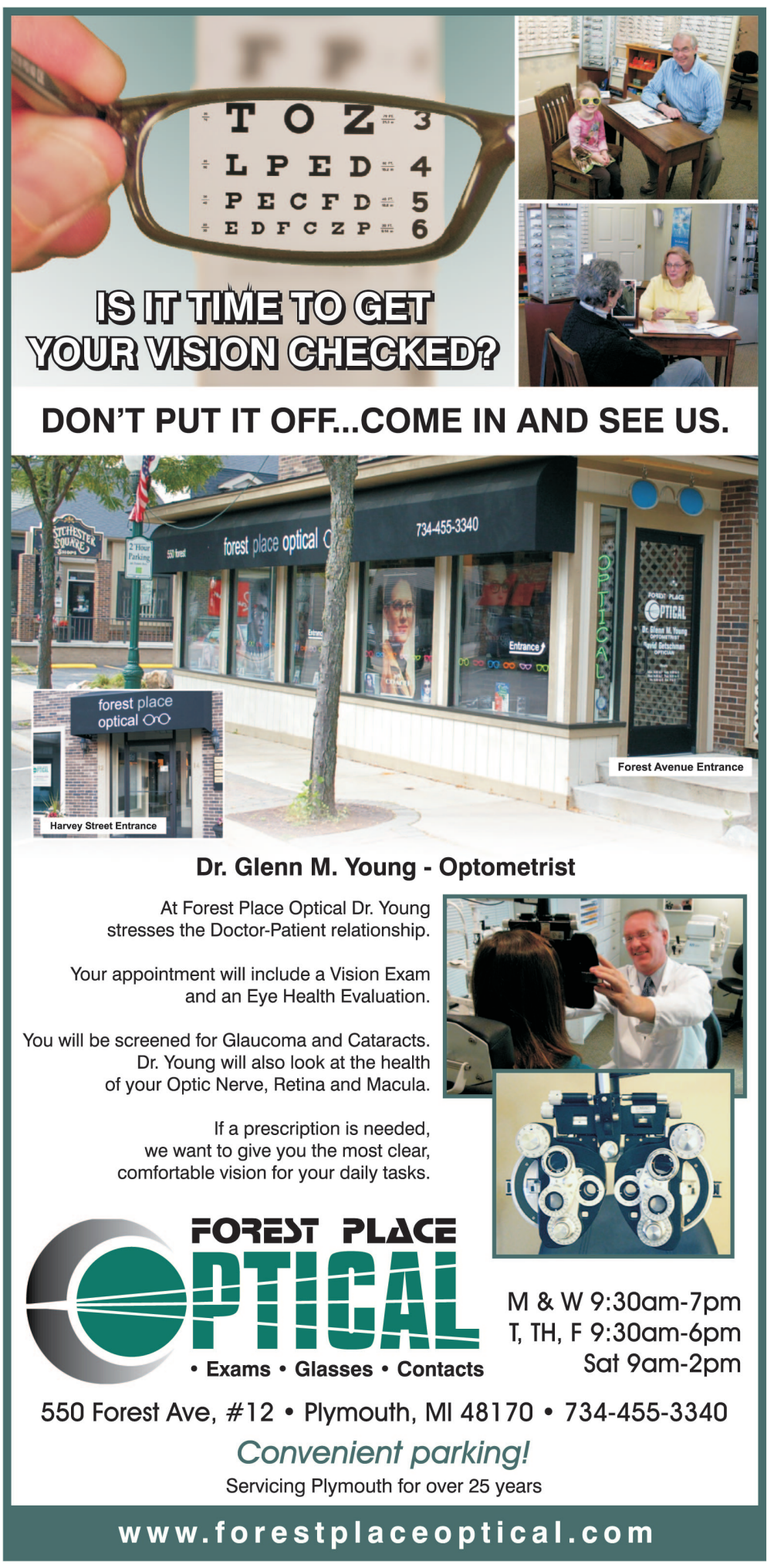
The Margaret Dunning Foundation was founded by Ms. Dunning in 1997. Ms. Dunning died in 2015 at the age of 104. Her estate provided funding for the Margaret Dunning Foundation, which continues to support her charitable interests and legacy.

Free tax preparation service available for Northville senior residents

AARP Foundation Volunteer Tax Aides will offer free tax preparation services at the Northville Community Center again this year. Tax preparation is by appointment only and is offered from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. each Thursday at the Northville Community Center. First appointments will begin on Thursday, Feb. 6 and the last day will be Thursday, April 9. This service is provided to taxpayers with low/middle income with special preference for appointments will be given to those 60 and older.

Appointments are already being accepted, and can be made by calling (248) 305-2851.

AARP Tax Volunteers are certified for tax preparation and will electronically file federal and state tax returns. Taxpayers will leave the 1-1 ½ hour appointment with a copy of their e-filed returns, and the knowledge that their tax returns have been filed at both Michigan and IRS acceptance sites.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Calendar of events

Cornhole Leagues forming

The Canton Sports Center is currently organizing new Cornhole leagues that will continue from Jan. 29 through March 26, at Kickers Sports Bar & Grill, located at 46555 W. Michigan Ave. in Canton, Players 18 and older can select a play date of Wednesday or Thursday for this 8-week league, which will be run as blind draw doubles with individual standings. Prizes will be awarded for the first through sixth place winners.

The league fee is $50 per person. The deadline to register is 5 p.m. Jan. 27.

For more information or to register for the Cornhole Leagues, call the Canton Sports Center at (734) 483-5600 or visit csc.canton-mi.org.

Suite Surrender presented

Inspire Theater will be presenting Suite Surrender: a farce by Michael McKeever at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 24 and 25, and at 3 p.m. Jan. 26 at Westland Center for the Arts, located at 33455 Warren Road.

The story takes place in 1942 and two of Hollywood's biggest divas have descended upon the luxurious Palm Beach Royale Hotel -- assistants, luggage, and legendary feud with one another in tow. Everything seems to be in order for their wartime performance until they are somehow assigned to the same suite. Mistaken identities, overblown egos, double entendres, and a lap dog named Mr. Boodles round out this love note to the classic farces of the 30s and 40s. The play is not suitable for all ages. For tickets and more information visit https://inspiretheatre.ticketleap.com

Symposium for girls set

The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center will host a special youth symposium for young girls in grades 3 through 5 from noon until 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Summit on the Park.

Featured presentations include a keynote address by Priya Mann, WDIV reporter, as well as closing remarks from Michigan State Sen. Dayna Polehanki, District 7.

This special event is organized by mentors of the Lead #LikeAGirl, who are former graduates of the program which was developed in 2015 by The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center to challenge young women ages 11-15 to take active roles in their personal and professional development, as well as in local decision making in their communities.

Tickets are available for purchase $10 per person online at www.cantonfun.org/register with activity code YT0014. All participants will receive a box lunch, T-Shirt,; and a "Fun Patch."

The B.L.O.C.K. (Building Leaders Out of Canton's Kids) Youth and Teen Center is located on the third floor of the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 398-5570.

The Summit is located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Distinguished Young Women orientation meeting planned

An orientation meeting for Distinguished Young Women of Wayne-Westland will take place at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26 at 32807 Manor Park in Garden City.

This year, the pageant will also include candidates for Distinguished Young Women of Wayne County.

The event will take place March 6 at Wayne Memorial High School and any high school junior girl who resides in Wayne-Westland or lives in Wayne County can register for the scholarship competitions at www.waynewestland.mi.distinguishedyw.org or www.WayneCounty.DistingusiedYW.org and click on Apply Now.

Information will be forwarded to organizers who will contact candidates with details.

Jazz performance planned

Jazz @ The Elks take place from 7 until 9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325. There is a $10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres.

Pete Siers Organic Roots will perform Tuesday, Jan. 28. Siers will be on drums, Duncan MacMillan on organ, Steve Wood on sax, and Matt LaRusso on guitar.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email

Daddy Daughter Dances planned in Plymouth

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will host the 9th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance at the Cultural Center Reception Room from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31 and again Saturday, Feb. 1.

Light refreshments and snacks will be served. Semi-formal, dressy-casual attire recommended. Advance ticket purchase is required because space is limited. Sorry, no Walk-ins will be accepted.

The cost for the dance is $12 and registration is now available online at www.plymouthmi.gov/recreation.

The Cultural Center is located at 525 Farmer St. in Plymouth. For more information call (734) 455-6620.

Railroadiana Train Show set at church

The Ss. Simon and Jude Ushers' Club is sponsoring a buy-and-swap Railroadiana Train Show from noon to 4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 2, at the Ss. Simon & Jude Catholic Church Social Hall, 32500 Palmer Road, between Merriman and Venoy roads, Westland.

There will be approximately 100 dealer tables available. The cost is $10 for an 8-foot table. Dealer set up is 9 a.m. on the day of the show, and complimentary coffee and doughnuts will be available to the dealers until 10:30 a.m. Food also will be available. Admission is $2 per person and $4 per family. Parking is free.

For more information or table reservations, call (734) 728-1247.

Garden Club to meet

Members of the Country Garden Club of Northville will meet at 11 a.m. Feb. 5 at Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville.

The speaker for the meeting will be Sue Grubba who will discuss the Healthy Soil and Wise Fertilizing. Light snacks will be served.

For more information, call (248) 202-1518.

Annual student radio station record show and sale is set

The annual 88.1 record show will bring thousands of vinyl records, CDs, import only releases, t-shirts, posters and other collectibles to the Salem High School Cafeteria.

The record show is set for 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 and proceeds will benefit the nationally-recognized student radio station operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

In addition to the wide variety of vendors, the show will feature special giveaways and door prizes. Last year, more than 400 people attended the show due, organizers said, to the resurgence in interest in vinyl records.

"Some people would like you to think that music is all digital now, but the record show proves that all wrong. It's amazing to see so many music fans, from all generations, together in one place," said Alivia Wiacek, program director 88.1 The Park.

Admission to the record show is $3, however collectors wanting an early start can purchase early admission between 9 and 10 a.m. for $5. Students at Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools will be admitted at no cost with student identification.

All proceeds will benefit 88.1 The Park and will help the station to continue serving the community with unique programming and broadcast training for students. The record show is one of the station's main fundraisers each year, explained Station Manager Bill Keith.

Interested dealers or those wanting more information can contact Keith at (734) 416-7732 or email him at bill.keith@pccsk12.com. Eight foot tables can be reserved for $30.

Salem High School is located at 46181 Joy Road in Canton at the corner of Joy and Canton Center roads.

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linens. "The stuff just flies out of here starting in September."

In addition to Christmas, some St. Patrick's Day and Valentine's Day items sell. Books and artwork are nearby, as well as electronics.

"Vinyl records are coming back. They're very popular," explained Lynne Porter. Store volunteers, some of whom work limited hours, may adopt a section, such as purses and shoes.

The donated display cases as well as store cabinets came from Montgomery Ward, noted Lynne Porter, although she said that was not documented. Store volunteers give items like pet supplies to appropriate organizations, and keep an area for weekly pickup from the Disabled American Veterans.

"I really like displaying things. I enjoy meeting people," she said.

Her husband does too, and both note the socializing of regular visitors is also a mission.

Plans are being discussed for the 70th anniversary observance, which will be in addition to the annual tool sale in May.

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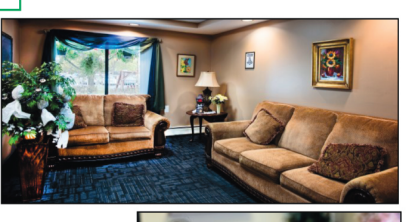

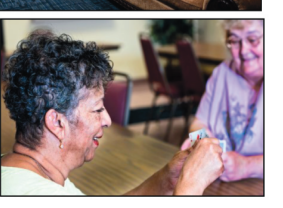
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